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June 29, 2010

TO: Each Supervisor

FROM: Jonathan E. Fielding, M.D., M.P.H.
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**SUBJECT: NOTIFICATION OF THE USE OF DELEGATED AUTHORITY TO
ACCEPT LOS ANGELES COUNTY CHILDREN AND FAMILIES FIRST –
PROPOSITION 10 COMMISSION GRANT FUNDS AND EXECUTE
AMENDMENTS TO EXTEND BLACK INFANT HEALTH AGREEMENTS**

This is to notify you that I am exercising delegated authority approved by your Board on November 17, 2009, to accept and execute future awards and/or amendments to the Los Angeles County Children and Families First - Proposition (First 5 LA) grant award through fiscal year (FY) 2011-12 and execute amendments to the Black Infant Health (BIH) Program agreements through FY 2011-12 and/or provide for an increase or decrease in funding by 25 percent of the base year maximum obligation, contingent upon receipt of funding from First 5 LA, subject to review and approval by County Counsel and the Chief Executive Office (CEO) and notification to your Board.

Under this delegation of authority, the Director of Public Health will accept funds in the amount of \$816,058 for FY 2010-11 via the First 5 LA Grant Agreement Number 07499, to extend agreements with The Children's Collective, Inc, Agreement Number H-700539; Great Beginnings for Black Babies (H-700540); Mission City Community Network, Inc. (H-700341); Prototypes (H-700339); and Partners in Care Foundation (H-700340), for a cumulative maximum obligation of \$696,737 for the period of July 1, 2010 through June 30, 2011. The balance of the First 5 LA funds in the amount of \$119,321 will support Maternal Child and Adolescent Health Program personnel and operating costs. In the near future, we will forward for your Board's approval superseding amendments for the BIH agreements to include forthcoming federal Title V, and federal Title XIX (Medicaid) funds.

Acceptance of the First 5 Grant Award allows DPH to continue providing services to eligible clients through comprehensive community-based efforts by assuring that at-risk pregnant and parenting women and their children (up to age one) have access to

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appropriate pediatric and preventive health care. Services provided by the BIH Program include, but are not limited to, providing health education information about issues impacting mothers and infants; coordinating with providers to ensure timely access to health care services; conducting social support and empowerment classes; and collaborating with other entities to strategize to reduce African-American infant mortality.

County Counsel and the CEO have reviewed and approved the First 5 LA Grant Agreement Number 07499 and the amendment to the BIH Program Agreements as to form, and this delegated authority action.

If you have any questions or require additional information, please let me know.

JEF: yl

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c: Chief Executive Officer
County Counsel
Executive Officer, Board of Supervisors